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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/537,937	Applicant(s) EGNER-WALTER ET AL.	
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c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 11.

Identification of prior art discussed: Hathaway (US 6,352,227) and Hayashi (US 5,284,397).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The structural differences between the claimed embodiment and the prior art of Hathaway and Hayashi were discussed. Further search and/or consideration is required.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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